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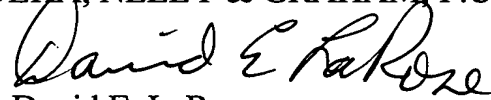
By the foregoing amendment claims 1-22 and 25-31 are hereby canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. The claims remaining in the case are claims 32-39. Applicants greatly appreciate the indication that claims 32-39 are allowable. In view of the cancellation of claims 1-22 and 25-31, it is believed the application is now in condition for immediate allowance. Such action is respectfully requested.

In the event this response is not timely filed, Applicants hereby petition for the appropriate extension of time and request that the fee for the extension along with any other fees which may be due with respect to this paper be charged to our **Deposit Account No. 12-2355**.

Respectfully submitted,

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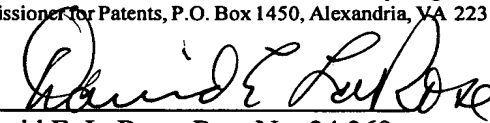
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